

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

Nos. 20-529 & 22-771 (consolidated)

(Filed: September 2, 2022)

BOSTON EDISON COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES,

Defendant,

and

HOLTEC PILGRIM, LLC,

Defendant-Intervenor.

HOLTEC PILGRIM, LLC, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES,

Defendant.

ORDER

Pending before the court is defendant-intervenor Holtec Pilgrim's and consolidated plaintiff Holtec Decommissioning International, LLC's (collectively, "Holtec's") unopposed motion for a protective order. *See Holtec Pilgrim, LLC, et al., v. United States*, No. 22-771, ECF No. 10. Holtec represents that it has conferred with counsel for each party, and none opposes Holtec's motion.

On October 18, 2021, the court entered a protective order in *Boston Edison Co. v. United States*, No. 20-529, ECF No. 51. That order also applied to Holtec Pilgrim, LLC which at the time was (and it still is) a defendant-intervenor in the case. Therefore, on August 1, 2022, the court issued an order consolidating the separately filed *Holtec* case with *Boston Edison* “for all purposes” and designating *Boston Edison* as the lead case. *Boston Edison*, ECF No. 78. Holtec Pilgrim Decommissioning International, LLC is a party to the *Holtec* case along with Holtec Pilgrim, LLC. Accordingly, the protective order in *Boston Edison*, ECF No. 51, extends to both Holtec Pilgrim, LLC and Holtec Pilgrim Decommissioning International, LLC, as well as its counsel.

In the circumstances, the motion by plaintiffs in the *Holtec* case is redundant. To avoid confusion and potentially divergent protective provisions, the extant motion for a protective order is DENIED as moot.

For clarity, this order shall be entered in the dockets for both the *Boston Edison* and *Holtec* cases, even though the *Holtec* case no longer has separate existence. All future filings should be made in *Boston Edison*, the lead case.

It is so **ORDERED**.

s/ Charles F. Lettow
Charles F. Lettow
Senior Judge